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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes a revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, email, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following addresses or fax numbers.

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SSA submitted the information collection below to OMB for clearance. Your comments regarding the information collection would be most useful if OMB and SSA receive them 30 days from the date of this publication. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

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Application for a Social Security Number Card, and the Social Security Number Application Process (SSNAP) -- 20 CFR 422.103 - 422.110 --

0960-0066. SSA collects information on the SS-5 (used in the United States) and SS-5-FS (used outside the United States) to issue original or replacement Social Security cards. SSA also enters the application data into the Social Security Number Application Process (SSNAP) when applicants request a new or replacement card via telephone or in person. In addition, hospitals collect the same information on SSA's behalf for newborn children through the Enumeration-at-Birth process. In this process, parents of newborns provide hospital birth

registration clerks with information required to register these newborns. Hospitals send this information to State Bureaus of Vital Statistics (BVS), and they send the information to SSA's National Computer Center. SSA then uploads the data to the SSA mainframe along with all other enumeration data, and we assign the newborn a Social Security number (SSN) and issue a Social Security card. Respondents can also use these modalities to request a change in their SSN records. The respondents for this collection are applicants for original and replacement Social Security cards, or individuals who wish to change information in their SSN records, who use any of the modalities described above.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

| Application Scenario | Number of Respondents | Frequency of Response | Average Burden per Response (minutes) | Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours) |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Respondents who do not have to provide parents' SSNs | 12,000,000 | 1 | 8.5 | 1,700,000 |
| Respondents whom we ask to provide parents' SSNs (when applying for original SSN cards for children under age 18) | 400,000 | 1 | 9 | 60,000 |
| Applicants age 12 or older who need to answer additional questions so SSA can | 1,500,000 | 1 | 9.5 | 237,500 |

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| determine whether we previously assigned an SSN | | | | |
| Applicants asking for a replacement SSN card beyond the new allowable limits (i.e., who must provide additional documentation to accompany the application) | 900 | 1 | 60 | 900 |
| Authorization to SSA to obtain personal information cover letter | 500 | 1 | 15 | 125 |
| Authorization to SSA to obtain personal information follow-up cover letter | 500 | 1 | 15 | 125 |
| Totals | 13,901,900 | | | 1,998,650 |

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